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FOR NEXT MEETING

REF: (A) MADRID 4048; (B) MADRID 3543; (C) STATE 80849

1. WILL ADVISE A; TO DEFINITE DATE FOR FORMAL JOINT -OM-
MITTEE MEETING BY SEPTTEL.
2. WE APPROVE PLAN FOR WORKING GROUP MEETING AS PROPOSED
PARA 2, REF A, TO CLEAR UP UNFINISHED BUSINESS REMAINING
FROM FIRST YEAR'S PROGRAM AND TO PREPARE FOR NEXT MEET-
ING. WE BELIEVE U.S. SIDE SHOULD BE CHAIRED BY SCIATT,
AND WOULD NOT PLAN TO SEND WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES.
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THERE ARE SEVERAL MATTERS WHICH WE BELIEVE COULD BE DIS-
CUSSED AT WORKING GROUP MEETING, AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

3. (A) U.S. SIDE REJECTIONS - BECAUSE OF NEGATIVE REVIEWS
U.S. SIDE DECLINES TO ACCEPT COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROPOSAL
4020 AND DIRECT RESEARCH PROPOSALS 0132 AND 0145 (SCIATT
HAS BEEN GIVEN COPIES OF REVIEWS). WE WOULD LIKE TO PRE-

PARE WAY FOR U.S. CO-CHAIRMAN TO FORMALLY NOTIFY SPANISH SIDE AT THE NEXT MEETING OF U-S. DECLINATIONS OF-THESE PROPOSALS. FOR THE THREE PROPOSALS TO BE DECLINED,-SPANISH

SIDE HAD ALLOCATED DOLLARS 198,558. WE BELIEVE THIS AMOUNT SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE DOLLARS 3,519,000 PROPOSED BY THE SPANISH SIDE FOR SECOND YEAR COOPERATIVE RESEARCH (REF B); THIS WOULD INCREASE PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION FOR COOPERATIVE RESEARCH FROM THE 76.5 PERCENT PROPOSED BY SPANISH TO SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE 76.7 PERCENT WHICH WAS THE ACTUAL FIRST YEAR ALLOCATION.

(B) COOPERATIVE PROPOSAL 3041 (ALUMINA FROM NON-BAUXITE ORES) - WE SHOULD REQUEST SPANISH SIDE APPROVAL OF THIS PROPOSAL AS REVISED FROM THAT ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY SPANISH SIDE.

(C) POST DOCTORAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS - WE BELIEVE THAT DOLLARS 74,859 REMAINING FROM PROPOSED FIRST YEAR POST DOCTORAL AND TRAVEL GRANT PROGRAM SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO POST DOCTORALS ONLY, SINCE ALL ORIGINAL TRAVEL GRANTS PROPOSED WERE AGREED TO BY U.S. SIDE. AS TO DOLLARS 460,000 FOR SECOND YEAR POST DOCTORAL AND TRAVEL GRANTS, WE BELIEVE THAT TRAVEL GRANTS MIGHT BE RESTRICTED TO NO MORE THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE DOLLAR TOTAL. ALSO, THE PERCENTAGE OF POST DOCTORAL GRANTS FOR AMERICANS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED.
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(D) TECHNICAL REVIEWS OF CERTAIN COOPERATIVE AND DIRECT RESEARCH PROPOSALS SHOWED A NEED FOR MORE DATA BEFORE THE REVIEWER COULD REACH A FINAL CONCLUSION. THESE PROPOSALS WERE: COOPERATIVE - 30360, 3033, AND 3041; DIRECT - 3176 AND 0049. USDA HAD RECENTLY RECEIVED ADDITIONAL DATA ON 30360 BUT THE OTHER GRANTS ARE STILL INCOMPLETE. (WE WOULD LIKE TO CHECK ON THE AUTHENTICITY OF THIS ADDITIONAL DATA WHICH PRESUMABLY WAS FORWARDED BY PROFESSOR VIEITEZ.) WE HAVE SENT THESE REVIEWS TO SCIATT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SPANISH SIDE SO THAT NECESSARY INFORMATION COULD BE OBTAINED. WE WOULD NEED TO KNOW STATUS ON THESE REQUESTS.

(E) AWARD LETTERS TO CERTAIN AMERICAN PIS - BECAUSE OF TERMS OF DOS-NOAA INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT, WE WISH TO ADOPT NOAA'S SUGGESTION RE AWARD LETTERS TO AMERICAN PIS (COPY FORWARDED TO SCIATT). WE THINK A SIMILAR AWARD LETTER SHOULD BE USED FOR THE AMERICAN PIS WHO WILL RECEIVE FUNDS FROM USDA (PROPOSAL 30394/11 -AND 30360 WHEN AND IF APPROVED, INTERIOR (30355) AND HEW (3050).

(F) SECOND YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOCATION - SPANISH SIDE

PROPOSED DOLLARS 115,000 FOR SECOND TRANCHE FOR ADMINISTRATION. OUR RECORDS INDICATE ABOUT DOLLARS 99,000 REMAINING

UNUSED FROM FIRST YEAR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOTMENT, WHICH SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR SECOND YEAR'S SECRETARIAT BUDGET AND FOR CONTINGENCIES. WE PROPOSE USE OF DOLLARS 115,000 FOR ADDITIONAL COOPERATIVE RESEARCH.

(G) DIRECT RESEARCH PROPOSAL 3177 IS TO BE TRANSFERRED TO INSTITUTIONAL GRANT CATEGORY. WE BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE SOME EVIDENCE OF APPROVAL OF BOTH SIDES TO THIS TRANSFER.

(H) MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING LATEST VERSION OF OCTOBER 1977 MINUTES.
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4. PLEASE ADVISE STATUS OF PROPOSED DIPLOMATIC NOTE NEEDED TO OBLIGATE SECOND TRANCHE FUNDS TRANSMITTED REF C. VANCE

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